National Health Insurance Plan

250. SHRI RAMA MUNI REDDY SIRIGIREDDY: Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that the National Advisory Council has recommended to the GoI for a National Health Insurance Plan;

(b) if so, the salient features of the proposed National Health Insurance Policy;

(c) whether it is also a fact that according to the proposed policy Rs. 150-200 needs to pay by the policy holder; and

(d) if so, the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE (SHRIMATI PANABAKA LAKSHMI): (a) to (d) The information is being collected and will be laid on the Table of the House.

Rotary International Presidential Polio Summit

251. SHRI DHARAM PAL SABHARWAL: Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state:

(a) the conclusions arrived at in the two day long Rotary International Presidential Polio Summit, 2004 recently held in Delhi;

(b) the details of the strategy of Government to attain zero polio status by the end of this year; and

(c) the number of polio cases in the country, State-wise?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE (SHRIMATI PANABAKA LAKSHMI): (a) The Polio Summit was organized with an objective to draw the attention of the world community on the Polio situation in the country and to strengthen community participation through social mobilization. All the participants were of the unanimous view to wipe out the wild poliovirus and weed-out the diseases from the Indian soil. Strategy communication and intervention were discussed and these were supported by Rotary International to change opinions, attitude and behaviour of families still resisting to accept the OPV vaccination. By the end of this year Rotary's resolve is to help